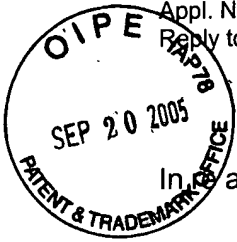


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**I. Introductory Comments**

The present paper is being submitted in response to the final Office Action mailed April 21, 2005.

A Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 CFR 1.136(a) for a request of one month and a check for \$225.00 is being filed concurrently herewith. No other fees are believed necessary for consideration of the present paper. However, if any other fees are necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees, including those for the extension of time, to Haynes and Boone, LLP's Deposit Account No. 08-1394.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 14 of this paper.